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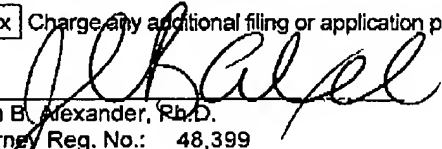

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**AMENDMENT**

Applicants are in receipt of the office action dated October 13, 2004 and request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 12 of this paper.